

November 17, 2005

Corunna City Council  
402 N. Shiawassee St  
Corunna, MI 48817

Re: Long Term Independence Committee

Dear Council:

We, the Long Term Independence Committee, after spending the last 10 months carefully reviewing the city budget, studying miscellaneous information supplied to the committee by the City Manager, analyzing the Community Perceptions and Opinions Survey that was sent out in February, 2005, meeting with the City Manager from Huntington Woods (Alex Allie), interviewing department heads along with meetings with the City Manager and the Mayor conclude that the best solution for long-term independence of the City is through economic growth. The committee briefly touched on the subjects of the Headlee Override, additional millage, and a City income tax, however, we feel it is in the best interest of the City for the Long Term Independence Committee to be dissolved and a new commission formed called the Economic Development Commission.

It is recommended that the commission's main mission be to develop a 20-year plan for economic growth in the City. We further recommend that this commission be fully recognized by City Ordinance with by-laws, and a board comprised of 12 people represented as follows:

- 1). Representative from the Shiawassee Regional Chamber of Commerce.
- 2) Representative from the Downtown Development Authority.
- 3) Representative from the Planning Commission.
- 4) Representative from the City Economic Development Fund.
- 5) Representative from City Industrial property.
- 6) Representative from City Commercial property.
- 7) Representative from the City at-large.
- 8) Representative from the City at-large.
- 9) Representative from the Corunna Public Schools.
- 10) Representative from the City Council.
- 11) Representative from the Shiawassee County Board of Commissioners.
- 12) Representative from the Parks & Recreations Commission.

We wish to thank the council for the opportunity to serve the City on this committee. Some members of our committee would be interested in serving on the above commission if the opportunity arises.

Sincerely yours,  
Mike Sarrazin  
Chairman of the Long Term Independence Committee